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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE FORTHCOMING U.S.-VENEZUELAN NEGOTIATIONS

REF: A. CARACAS 11389 B. STATE 254499

1. ALTHOUGH I SOUGHT TODAY, PURSUANT TO REF B, TO MAKE CONTACT WITH FOREIGN MINISTER SCHACHT, HE WAS TIED UP THIS MORNING IN CABINET AND THIS AFTERNOON WAS NOT AT THE OFFICE. HOWEVER, SUBSEQUENT TO DICTATION OF THIS TELEGRAM, I HAVE TALKED WITH SCHACHT ON THE TELEPHONE, AS REPORTED CARACAS 11472.

2. RE REF A, AT LUNCHEON TODAY IN WHICH I WAS FLANKED BY TWO SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE POLICY ADVISORS OF PRESIDENT PEREZ - MINISTER OF STATE PEREZ GUERRERO AND FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER AND AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S. FALCON BRICENO - I SAID THAT WE VERY MUCH HOPED THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO ENTER UPON A SERIOUS INTER-CHANGE OF VIEWS AS TO THE ONWARD SHAPE OF U.S.- VENEZUELAN RELATIONS. ONCE AN AGENDA HAD BEEN WORKED UP WE HOPED THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO EXAMINE IN SERIOUS DETAIL POINTS OF DIFFERENCE AND OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. I STRESSED TO BOTH PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORS THAT TO ACHIEVE SUCH A SERIOUS CONVERSATION IT WOULD BE ESSENTIAL FOR BOTH SIDES TO REFRAIN FROM PUBLIC UTTERANCES WHICH, AS WE KNEW FROM RECENT HISTORY, SERVED TO ENVENOM THE ATMOSPHERE.

3. BOTH MINISTER OF STATE PEREZ GUERRERO AND FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER FALCON RESPONDED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. I HAD THE IMPRESSION
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THAT MY COMMENTS WILL BE PASSED ON TO PRESIDENT PEREZ THIS

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